

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Original.) A cushioning frame for a vehicle headlamp, comprising:
a frame adapted to attach to a vehicle behind where the headlamp is normally positioned;
the frame comprising one or more backplates to which the headlamp is secured;
the frame further comprising a plurality of arms along which the backplates can move axially; and
one or more coil springs engaging between the frame and said one or more backplates and effective to maintain the headlamp in a normal position and to allow rearward movement of the headlamp in response to a direct impact to the headlamp.
2. (Original.) The headlamp cushioning frame of claim 1, wherein there is a single backplate.
3. (Original.) The headlamp cushioning frame of claim 1, comprising two backplates and wherein a backplate spans two of said arms.
4. (Original.) The headlamp cushioning frame of claim 1, comprising a backplate for each arm.
5. (Currently amended.) A rechargeable and removable emergency lamp and headlamp for a vehicle, comprising:
a lamp having a handle and an electrical connection to a rechargeable battery, said lamp positioned and used as a headlamp;
a rechargeable battery, wherein the lamp having has a first electrical connection to the [[lamp]] rechargeable battery for powering the lamp and having second electrical connection to the vehicle's electrical system, the battery having a separate electrical connection to the vehicle's electrical system for recharging the battery; and

a first housing in which the the lamp is removably retained.

6. (Original.) The lamp of claim 5, wherein the first housing joins to a second housing attached to the body of the vehicle.

7. (Original.) The lamp of claim 5, wherein the lamp and housing are located in the vehicle's trunk.

8. (Original.) The lamp of claim 5, wherein the lamp further comprises removeable handle.

9. (Original.) The lamp of claim 8, wherein the first electrical connection to the lamp runs through the handle.

10. (Original.) A vehicle headlamp having a housing, a bulb, and a lens, wherein the improvement comprises means for changing the color of the light emanating therefrom.

11. (Original.) The headlamp of claim 10, wherein the means for changing the color comprises a flexible filter disposed ~~in front of~~ behind the lens, said filter having at least two areas of different colors, and further comprising means for moving the filter between the at least two areas of different colors.

12. (Original.) The headlamp of claim 11, further comprising mechanical means for cleaning the filter.

13. (Original.) The headlamp of claim 10, wherein the means for changing the color comprises an electrochromic device allowing light to pass therethrough.

14. (Original.) The headlamp of claim 10, wherein the means for changing the color comprises a color wheel disposed inside the housing.